(d) The final shape of the Scheme which should be incorporated in the revised Policy effective from 1.4.1994.

The Inter-Ministerial Committee after extensive discussions|inter-action with the Trade, their Associations, Manufacturers etc. reached the conclusion that the Scheme was an important instrument for export promotion and as such is needed to continue. However, to plug the loopholes the Committee recommended measures like issue of licences above 25 lakhs to a new exporter|firm after proper verification generic entries in the input-output norms to be tightened, and the licensing Authorities to exercise more care and caution while granting licences. These recommendations have been incorporated in the EXIM Policy|Procedures (Chapter-VII) 1992—97 and Hand Book of Procedure Vol. II as amended upto 31.3.94, copies of which are available in the Parliament Library.

(c) As stated above, the Inter-Ministerial Committee, was constituted on receipt of representations about the misuse of the VABAL Scheme as well as representations received from Manufacturers, Exporters and other Associations. As per records available, 25 representations from various Manufacturers|Associations were received pointing out loopholes of the Scheme and also giving suggestions for making the Scheme more effective. These representations were duly considered by the Inter-Ministerial Committee while framing its report|recommendations to the Government.

Increase in price of Coffee

787. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the coffee dealers have recently taken a decision to increase the domestic prices of coffee by Rs. 20 per kg; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government and steps taken to ensure that the consumers are not put to any inconvenience in regard to the demand of coffee?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) No, Sir.

The Government is not aware of any such decision taken by the coffee dealers.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

Gain in exports after GATT

788. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is likely to gain in exports as a result of GATT;

(b) if so, what is the estimated increase in exports; and

(c) what are the products in which such gains will be there?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) to (c) Estimates have been made by the World Bank, OECD and the GATT Secretariat, which show that income effects of the implementation of the Uruguay Round package would add between US $ 213 and US $ 274 billion annually to the world income. The GATT Secretariat's estimate of the overall trade impact is that the level of merchandise trade in goods would be higher by US $ 745 billion in the year 2005 than it otherwise would have been.

As per the GATT study, the present gains would be in the area of clothing, agriculture, forestry, and fishery products, processed foods and beverages. These are areas of India's

proven competitiveness and future productivity gains.

India's share in world trade has risen from 0.4 per cent in 1980 to around 0.6 per cent in 1993.

निर्यात संबंधी ब्यौरा

789. **श्री सुशील कुमार संभाजीराव शिंदे** : क्या वाणिज्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) पूरे एक वर्ष के दौरान किए गए निर्यातों का माहवार ब्यौरा क्या है ;

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि इस वर्ष निर्यातों का रुख देखते हुए ऐसा लगता है कि इस वर्ष के लिए निर्धारित निर्यात-लक्ष्य पूरे नहीं होंगे ;

(ग) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण है ; और

(घ) सरकार निर्यातों में वृद्धि करने के लिए क्या कदम उठाने का विचार रखती है ?

वाणिज्य मंत्री (श्री प्रणव मुखर्जी) : (क) वर्ष 1993-94 के दौरान निर्यातों के माहवार ब्यौरे नीचे दिए गए हैं :—

	करोड़ रु०	मिलि० अमरीकी डालर
अप्रैल	5528	1766
मई	5242	1673
जून	5147	1639
जुलाई	5431	1731
अगस्त	5306	1691
सितम्बर	5053	1611
अक्तूबर	5435	1732
नवम्बर	5278	1683
दिसम्बर	5566	1774
जनवरी	6341	2021
फरवरी	6259	1995
मार्च	7008	2234

अनंतिम अनुमान ।

(ख) जी नहीं ।

(ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

(घ) निर्यात संवर्धन एक सतत् प्रक्रिया है। यह केन्द्र तथा राज्यों के बीच एक सामूहिक प्रयास है और व्यापार तथा उद्योग से परामर्श करके एक मिश्रवत-निर्यात नीति माहौल प्रदान करने के उपाय किए जाते हैं। राज्यों से और अधिक सहयोग मांगा जा रहा है और सरकार ने इस उद्देश्य के लिए निर्यात संवर्धन पार्क (ई०पी०आई० पी०) नामक एक स्कीम बनाई है।

Report in spices board and export of spices

790. SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received the report of the Sub-Committee on the spices board and export of spices;

(b) if so, details thereof;

(c) whether the Committee have made some recommendations;

(d) if so, details thereof;

(e) whether government propose to take some steps to implement these recommendations; and

(f) if so, details thereof and if not, reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) to (f) The report of the Parliamentary Committee on spices has been received by the Government recently. The Committee has made several recommendations for strengthening research and development activities on spices for meeting quality, production and productivity, and for further strengthening the exports. The Committee has also made recommendations for achieving better coordination between various Minis-